

ESTABLISHED 1840.

FRIGHTFUL LOSS OF LIFE

DESTRUCTIVE CYCLONE AT KANSAS CITY.

Thirty to Forty Persons Killed and Fifty to Sixty Dangerously Injured.

A NUMBER OF LITTLE CHILDREN AMONG THE VICTIMS.

A Public School and the Court-House Among the Buildings Destroyed—Heartrending Scenes.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 11.—A cyclone visited here at noon to-day. The Court-House was demolished, and a number of persons hurt there. The Lathrop school was wrecked and many children caught in the ruins. Seven are said to be killed. Overall's factory was blown down. Five dead and fifteen girls badly injured are reported.

Second Dispatch.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 11.—A four-foot storm of wind and rain swept over this city to-day, continuing from 11 o'clock until noon. The Court-House, on Second street, was totally demolished above the second story. A number of persons were hurt there, but none killed as far as known at this time. The Lathrop school on Eighth street was partially wrecked and many children caught in the ruins. Seven are said to have been killed, and the full extent of the disaster is not yet known. An overall factory on Second street was blown down and five deaths are reported from there. Out of fifteen girls at work in the building, while the wind was blowing, all were wounded. At 11 o'clock a report from Lathrop school mentioned ten badly hurt besides those killed. The old Water-Works building, near the Court-House, was blown down and one or two persons there are missing. At the Western Union Telegraph office but one was working out of the city, except in the destruction of the Lathrop public school building, on Eighth street, and buildings generally, excepting those mentioned with the force of the storm.

One span at the north end of the railroad bridge across the Missouri river was blown into the river, leaving the Hannibal and St. Joseph, Rock Island, Wabash and Kansas City, St. Joe and Council Bluffs roads. Eight girls have been taken out of the overall factory, four of whom are dead, and many others are in the ruins. There is scarcely a hope for their lives. In the scene of the disaster it is possible to ascertain definitely the extent of the calamity, but it is said that over twenty employees are imprisoned in the basement of the factory.

John Flaherty was struck on the head by a falling flagstaff in West Kansas City and killed. The disastrous fury of the storm was confined to the north end of the city, except in the destruction of the Lathrop public school building, on Eighth street, and buildings generally, excepting those mentioned with the force of the storm.

The office of the Western Union Telegraph Company is in this portion of the city and the poles are heavily weighted off, letting the wires down in a tangled heap; many wires were also carried down with the broken bridge span.

Full Details of the Disaster.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 11.—About half-past 10 o'clock this morning ominous storm clouds began gathering over the city. They first appeared in the northeast and suddenly turned southward in their course and, descending rapidly, broke upon the city in terrific bursts of wind and rain that swept all lighter objects before them. The darkness was almost like night and people fled to the nearest shelter and awaited with blanched faces the force of the tempest.

The clouds seemed to graze the roofs of the highest buildings and poured out their torrents in apparently solid masses for a time. The storm struck the city in full force about twenty minutes past 11 o'clock and raged for half an hour. The streets were running rivers of water, carrying boxes and signs and other similar things, blown from the buildings or swept up by the flood. A number of vehicles were overturned and in numerous instances drivers were thrown from their horses and trampled under the wheels of the cars. Some half an hour after the storm, the fall was not great, otherwise the loss to property would have been enormous from water as it was in at broken windows. As it was, it was a large number of buildings were water-soaked. All this, however, proved entirely insignificant when the full extent of the disaster wrought by the storm became known.

THE LATHROP SCHOOL BUILDING occupied a prominent site at the corner of Eighth and May streets. It consisted of a main building to which an east wing had been added. The building was surmounted by a tower, which for some time has been considered unsafe. It has been twice condemned, and within a few weeks, but no action had been taken in the matter. This morning the building was crowded with children, many of whom were nearly frantic with fear over the appalling darkness which preceded the tempest. The storm swept madly across Broadway from the west and seemed to concentrate its force in its descent upon the tower, which yielded with a crash, and carrying down the heavy bell, plunged through the intervening floors to the basement. The main building is a mass of ruins, within the shattered walls of which the scene at times was awful. The wing was comparatively uninjured, and the scholars in there unhurt. In the main building, however, the

REMARKS WERE MADE, "The falling floors precipitated the terrified children to the basement, where masses of bricks and beams crashed down to the ground and buried them from view. Persons lying in the crash made way as best they could against the beating storm to the scene. The pale quickly subsided and the work of rescue was undertaken by eager hands. Owing to the prevailing excitement the first work was not very effective, but the fire department and police soon arrived and an organized search was commenced. The dead and wounded were taken out as quickly as possible and carried to the natatorium adjoining, which was turned into a hospital. Here the

parents and friends of the little ones were soon gathered, each searching for his or her own and uttering heartrending cries as they recognized in the maimed and bleeding forms those whom they loved. Among the first taken out several were dead and one or two mangled beyond recognition, their clothing torn and their bodies covered with dust and mud, the deathly pallor of the skin showing in painful contrast against grime and blood stains.

MANY HEART-RENDING SCENES were enacted during the rescue, and the wounded children, some of them seemed to have greater control than their elders. One little girl, half buried in the debris, over whom the rescuers were busy, begged them to leave her and help a boy beside her, because, she said, he was only five years old. The scenes in the natatorium, as the little ones were brought in and laid upon improvised cots, the dead placed together upon one side, were pitiful beyond expression. A dozen dead were taken out during the day and the bodies sent to the houses of sorrowing families. Several of the children belonged to prominent families in the city.

ANOTHER FRIGHTFUL DISASTER. At 110 West Third street stood a three-story brick building in the middle of the block, the third floor of which was used as an overall factory, conducted by Hoar Bros. The first and second floors were occupied by the Graham Paper Company. In the factory were about twenty-five employees, chiefly girls. They, when the storm broke out, started for the cellar. The building fell with a crash, being razed entirely to the earth, and most of the frightened girls were caught in the ruins. Four have been taken out dead, a number of others are wounded and some are still missing. A force of laborers is busy to-night by flickering lantern lights upturning confused masses of bricks and timbers.

THE COUNTY COURT-HOUSE stands at Second and Main streets on the hill, exposed to winds from the north and west. The building was erected nearly twenty years ago for the purchase by the county for \$200,000 and conveyed into a court house. The building has always been considered rather unsatisfactory and the roof has frequently suffered injury from high winds. The storm struck the southwest corner to-day, blowing in the roof and major portion of the walls of the third and fourth stories. The south wall at the east end was blown into the street and Deputy Sheriff Dougherty was caught and killed. All others succeeded in getting out of the building alive. The jail is located in the basement of the building and that portion escaped injury. The prisoners were intensely alarmed, but became quiet when the crisis had passed and they found themselves unhurt. Judge Stover had been holding court in the third floor and had adjourned just before the storm descended. A portion of the roof in falling struck the chair the Judge had just vacated.

ANOTHER BUILDING BLOWN DOWN. Across the street, on the northeast corner of Second and Main streets, stood a two-story brick building, erected in 1890 by the Santa Fe Stage Company, one of the oldest buildings in the city, from which the stages formerly were started across the plains in stage coaching days. The building has for years been occupied by the United States engineers. Adjoining that, on the west, was a three-story brick coffee and spice mill, owned by Smith & Moffatt. This building was demolished, falling over upon the adjoining one, and both were completely wrecked. Frank Smith, the senior partner of the firm, was taken bleeding from the ruins, and died in a short time. Mr. Moffatt was badly hurt, and three employees were injured. The debris is being removed to-night in search for any who may yet be buried beneath.

BRIDGE WRECKED. The second span from the north end of the bridge across the Missouri, opposite the city, was blown into the river, the pier being left apparently injured. A great number of telegraph wires were taken down with the broken span. Workmen are busy to-night raising wires from the wreck and it is hoped communication in that direction will be restored to-morrow morning. The bridge is owned by the Hannibal and Joe Company and is used by that road, the Wabash, the Rock Island and Kansas City, St. Joe and Council Bluffs. The bridge authorities say they expect to repair the damage in ten days. Meanwhile the railroads will make temporary arrangements for transporting passengers and freight. The Wabash will send its trains over the Missouri Pacific, via St. Louis and Moberly.

KILLED AND WOUNDED. The following is a list of the killed and wounded, as far as ascertained, at 10 o'clock to-night:

Killed at the School-House—Josie Mason, aged twelve, lives on the corner of Eighth and Wyandotte; Bessie I. Moore, nine years, 1025 Central street; Nellie Edna Hamey, twelve years, 904 Central street; Ruth Jamison, ten years, 916 Washington street; Edna C. Evans, eleven years, 701 Penn street; Robert Sprague, eleven years, son of the superintendent of telegraph of the Kansas City, Fort and West, Twelfth street, 630 West Eighth street; Gifford Ross, 630 West Eighth street; L. T. Moore, one of the most prominent business men in the city, Hotel Brunswick; Richard Terry, eleven years, Ninth and Jefferson; Mary Lambert, twelve years, Tenth and Bluff; Maury Bishop, nine years, 30 West Twelfth street; Edith Patch, twelve years, Tenth and Moore; Gardner, Kas., and Martin Jones. Mrs. Ida Bowes, superintendent of the second floor of the factory, was terribly crushed about the head and hips to-night.

Killed at the Overall Factory—Jennie Fitzgerald, aged twenty, skull crushed, near broken, home Kansas City, Kas.; Willie Eckman, sixteen, chest crushed, badly mangled, Kansas City, Kas.; Minnie Crane, twenty-two, skull broken, 1714 Charlotte; Nellie Cavanaugh, twenty-one, head and chest crushed, Armourdale; Kate Crowden, seventeen, large hole in head near temple, 518 Gillis; Wm. R. Towne, nineteen, face crushed beyond recognition, 1231 Cherry.

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terine, an industry which has produced an article of food at once pure, wholesome, economical and acceptable; and by reason of the growing demand for oleomargarine has added to the value of every bullock at least \$4 per head, thereby enhancing and promoting the farm and stock raising interest, and placing within the reach of all an acceptable, economical and wholesome article of food; be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be transmitted to our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

BNAL BRITH.

Closing Session of Grand Lodge No. 2 at Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, May 11.—District Grand Lodge No. 2 of the Independent Order Bnai Brith, closed its annual meeting to-day, meeting next year in Louisville. The principal act of the convention was to provide for building new and fire-proof structures for the Bnai Brith at Cleveland at a cost of \$150,000 on the site of the present asylum. Officers elected are: President, B. Mahler, Cleveland, Ohio; first vice-president, August Bretano, Evansville, Ind.; second vice-president, Jas. May, Cincinnati; treasurer, M. Bauer, Cincinnati; secretary, Abraham Kern, Cincinnati; sergeant-at-arms, G. Eisenthal, Louisville. General committee: B. Behman, Chas. Harschland, Lewis Levi, Cincinnati; N. E. Heines, Indianapolis; Joseph E. Meyer, Louisville.

FATHER RYAN.

Memorial Services in the Masonic Theater at Nashville.

NASHVILLE, TENN., May 11.—To-night memorial services were held at the Masonic Theater in honor of Father Ryan. A very choice programme had been prepared for the occasion. Some of the best local talent participated, and the exercises were impressive and interesting. There was a large attendance. The singing display was used in Col. Hanson's brigade.

VICKSBURG, MISS.

Victims in the Tiltling Tournament—Military in Camp.

(SPECIAL TO THE APPEAL.) VICKSBURG, Miss., May 11.—The tiltling tournament was held to-day. Knight Glenn of Tennessee won the first money. Knight Welsch of Greenville took the first prize for courage. Ten companies are in camp, and were inspected for the interstate drill which commences to-morrow.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Failure at Little Rock.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 11.—L. C. Bernays, jeweler, has assigned to Eugene Arnold for the benefit of creditors. The scheduled liabilities are \$40,000; assets nominally \$25,500. All the liabilities but \$10,000 are due to Eastern houses, mainly New York and Meriden, Conn.

Assigned. CINCINNATI, O., May 11.—The H. T. Davis Company, iron merchants, assigned to-day. Assets, \$20,000; liabilities, \$47,000.

American Opera at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 11.—The American opera opened here last night to a large and very brilliant audience at the grand Music Hall in the Exposition Building, and was received with unusually cordial expressions of favor. The opera was *The Flying Dutchman*. It was rendered in superb style, the soloists, Juch, Whiney, Ludwig and Appleby, being in fine voice. The chorus was good, and the settings and accessories far superior to anything previously seen here.

TONGALINE has given me exceedingly good satisfaction in the inveterate case of rheumatism and neuralgia which had defied everything else; symptoms have all disappeared. C. L. ELMOTIER, M.D., Iowa City, Ia.

The Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 11.—The *Daily News*, in its issue of to-morrow, will devote a page to a description of the work of the Associated Press; the scope of its new field; its methods for collecting the happenings of a day in all parts of the globe, and improvements which have entered into the service; together with sketches of the general manager and his corps of assistants in all the principal cities of this country and Europe.

Never interrupt any conversation with a hacking cough; it creates a bad impression. Better invest a quarter of a dollar in a bottle of Dr. Ball's Cough Syrup and cure it.

German-American B. and L. Ass'n.

THE annual meeting of this association will be held at its office, No. 16 Madison street, THURSDAY, MAY 10, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. The annual report of the Secretary will be presented and the election of officers for the ensuing year. A new series of limited to 500 shares will be opened for subscription, and loans can be effected. All stockholders are invited to attend. J. H. SCHREIBER, President. H. BENSCHER, Secretary.

JAPANESE SPRINGS AND BATHS (Aikawa)

Lithia Water; also Hot Springs in W. Va. No. 10, No. 11, No. 12, No. 13, No. 14, No. 15, No. 16, No. 17, No. 18, No. 19, No. 20, No. 21, No. 22, No. 23, No. 24, No. 25, No. 26, No. 27, No. 28, No. 29, No. 30, No. 31, No. 32, No. 33, No. 34, No. 35, No. 36, No. 37, No. 38, No. 39, No. 40, No. 41, No. 42, No. 43, No. 44, No. 45, No. 46, No. 47, No. 48, No. 49, No. 50, No. 51, No. 52, No. 53, No. 54, No. 55, No. 56, No. 57, No. 58, No. 59, No. 60, No. 61, No. 62, No. 63, No. 64, No. 65, No. 66, No. 67, No. 68, No. 69, No. 70, No. 71, No. 72, No. 73, No. 74, No. 75, No. 76, No. 77, No. 78, No. 79, No. 80, No. 81, No. 82, No. 83, No. 84, No. 85, No. 86, No. 87, No. 88, No. 89, No. 90, No. 91, No. 92, No. 93, No. 94, No. 95, No. 96, No. 97, No. 98, No. 99, No. 100.

Send for pamphlet. W. H. SALLS, Prop.

MARRIED.

VADAKIN—LANDVOIGHT.—At the residence of the bride's parents, 54 Dean avenue, on Monday, May 10, 1896, by the Rev. George Patterson, Mr. E. M. VADAKIN and Miss LILY LANDVOIGHT.

Miss LILY is a young lady whose many graceful accomplishments serve to add additional lustre to an amiable and lovable character. Her circle of devoted friends unite in wishing for herself and husband a prosperous future—a future that will be but a happy reflex of a youthful career that has passed in sunshine and escaped the shadows.

DIED.

MURRAY—Tuesday afternoon, May 11, 1896, at 4 o'clock, Mrs. ESTHER MURRAY, wife of Wm. Murray.

Funeral will take place this (WEDNESDAY) afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, from 278 Second st. Friends of the family invited to attend.

PEGRAM—Tuesday afternoon, May 11, 1896, at 2:30 o'clock, WILLIAM, aged seven years, ten months and twenty-five days, son of Capt. R. B. and Ella Pegram.

Funeral will take place from residence No. 272 Vance street, this (WEDNESDAY) afternoon at 5 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

LAKEVIEW EXCURSIONS.

EVERY SUNDAY

Trains Will Leave as Follows:

LEAVE MEMPHIS LEAVE LAKEVIEW

10:30 a. m. 11:05 a. m.

1:30 p. m. 2:15 p. m.

3:30 p. m. 5:00 p. m.

7:30 p. m. 11:00 p. m.

Tickets on sale at Depot. Ticket for the Round Trip, 50 CENTS. Purchase tickets before getting on train and save money. Delightful Motor Fishing and Rowing on the Lake.

A. J. KENAP, Gen. Pass. Ag't.

Dissolution Notice.

THE firm of SPEED & PHILLIPS is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The old firm of JOHN K. SPEED & CO. will continue the business at the same place, No. 345 Front street, Memphis, Tenn., May 6, 1896.

WITHDRAWAL CARD.

I am retiring from the firm of SPEED & PHILLIPS. I commend the successors of the old firm to the good will of my friends.

J. M. PHILLIPS.

CHANGE OF FIRM.

THE firm of SPEED & PHILLIPS having this day been dissolved by mutual consent, we solicit their and our friends for a continuance of patronage, guaranteeing that all business entrusted to us will be as carefully looked after as